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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re the Application of

Yoshiro SHIOKAWA et al.

Group Art Unit: 2853

Application No.: 09/870,736

Examiner: B. Mouttet

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ION ATTACHMENT MASS SPECTROMETRY

**LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION
OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND
TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17**

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired January 30, 2004, an extension of time for a period of three months is hereby requested. Attached hereto is our Check No. 153699 in the amount of \$840.00 (\$110.00 having previously been paid on March 1, 2004 for a one-month extension of time), in payment for:

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